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March 31, 2014

Attention: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street 27<sup>th</sup> Floor P.O. Box 2319 Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Wellington North Power Inc. – ED-2002-0511

2014 Distribution Rate Application

OEB File Number: EB-2013-0178

Response to Comments on Draft Rate Order

Wellington North Power Inc. (WNP) acknowledges receipt of the Ontario Energy Board's "Comments on the Draft Rate Order" dated March 27, 2014 for file number EB-2013-0178 for approval for changes to the rates that the Applicant charges for electricity distribution, effective May 1, 2014.

In view of the comments received from the Board Staff, Wellington North Power Inc. (WNP) submits the following response:

1) The variable rate riders in the Tariff of Rates and Charges are rounded to five decimal places. The Board's practice is to use four decimal places unless the calculated rate riders do not yield a valid rate. The use of five decimal places is on an exception basis. Board staff notes that all calculated rate riders in WNP's Tariff of Rates and Charges would yield a valid rate if rounded to four decimal places.

#### WNP Response:

WNP has amended the variable rate riders in the Tariff of Rates and Charges to be four (4) decimal places as requested.

WNP has filed a revised Tariff of Rates and Charges schedule with this letter.

Submitted File: WellingtonNorth\_EB-2013-0178\_Draft\_Tariff\_of\_Rates\_Charges\_DRO\_20140331

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2) WNP's Tariff of Rates and Charges includes a heading for regulatory charges for the microFIT class when no such charges apply.

#### **WNP Response:**

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As requested, WNP has removed the heading of regulatory Charges for the microFIT class from the Tariff of Rates and Charges.

WNP has filed a revised Tariff of Rates and Charges schedule with this letter.

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3) The Rate Riders for Incremental Capital provided in the Tariff of Rates and charges do not indicate that they are to be in effect until the effective date of WNP's next cost of service based rate order.

### **WNP Response:**

For the Incremental Capital Rate Riders, WNP has included the "effective until date of April 30, 2016" (the Applicant's next Cost of Service based rate order date) in the Tariff of Rates and Charges.

WNP has filed an updated Rate Generator model and a revised Tariff of Rates and Charges schedule with this letter.

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4) Under the Application heading for each class, the third paragraph does not indicate that monthly rates and charges under the "Regulatory Component" heading do not apply to a customer that is a wholesale market participant, similar to WNP's current Tariff of Rates and Charges.

#### **WNP Response:**

WNP has included the following information within the third paragraph under the Application heading for each rates class as shown in the Tariff of Rates and Charges schedule:

"In addition, the charges in the MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory
Component of this schedule do not apply to a customer that is an embedded wholesale
market participant."

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WNP wish to note for the record that <u>no</u> comments were received from intervenors who have been involved with this Application.

An electronic copy of the Applicant's "Response to Comments on the Draft Rate Order" has been filed on the RESS site and two hard copies have been sent by courier to the Board's office for the attention of the Board Secretary.

Should the Board have questions regarding this matter please contact myself at <a href="mailto:rbucknall@wellingtonnorthpower.com">rbucknall@wellingtonnorthpower.com</a> or call 519-323-1710.

Yours truly,

Richard Bucknall

**Regulatory Compliance and Office Manager** 

cc: Board Secretary

cc: Stephen Vetsis - OEB Analyst, Applications & Regulatory Audit (by e-mail)

cc: Intervenors on Record (by e-mail)

cc: Mr. Randy Aiken, Consultant to Energy Probe (by e-mail)

cc: Ms. Shelley Grice, Consultant to VECC (by e-mail)

Enc: Revised Tariff of Rates and Charges schedule

Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2014

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### RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to the supply of electrical energy to Customers residing in residential dwelling units. Energy is generally supplied as single phase, 3-wire, 60-Hertz, having a nominal voltage of 120/240 Volts. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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#### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge	\$	18.28
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0183
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0018
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0041)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0066
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0041
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Service Charge - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	0.88
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Distribution Volumetric - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	0.0009
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013

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## GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to customers in General Service buildings with a connected load less than 50 kW, and Town

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Service Charge	\$	38.80
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0166
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0015
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0041)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0061
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0034
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Service Charge - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	1.87
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Distribution Volumetric - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	8000.0
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## **GENERAL SERVICE 50 TO 999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

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Service Charge	\$	272.76
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.6226
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.6050
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.0793
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(1.6100)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2,5128
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3720
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Service Charge - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	13,15
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Distribution Volumetric - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	0.1746
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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Service Charge	\$	2,229.30
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.8706
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.6632
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.0886
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(1.8090)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.6690
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5041
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Service Charge - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	107.46
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Distribution Volumetric - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	0.0902
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account whose average monthly maximum demand is less than, or is forecast to be less

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#### **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component**

Service Charge	\$	17.88
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0144
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0015
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0041)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0061
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0034
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Service Charge - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	0.86
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Distribution Volumetric - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	0.0007
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#### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0,0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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### SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to accounts for unmetered lighting loads supplied to sentinel lights. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service

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Service Charge	\$	5.18
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	19.1573
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4775
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.1409
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(1,5065)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1,9046
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1,0829
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Service Charge - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	0.25
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Distribution Volumetric - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	0.9234
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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This classification refers to accounts for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, and Ministry of Transportation. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times the required lighting times established in the approved OEB street lighting load shape template. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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Service Charge	\$	7.04
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	7.8382
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4677
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.0753
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(1.5320)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8950
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.0608
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Service Charge - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	0.34
Rate Rider for Incremental Capital - Distribution Volumetric - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	0.3778
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component	9	
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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### MICROFIT SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an electricity generation facility contracted under the Ontario Power Authority's microFIT program and connected to the distributor's distribution system. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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#### **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component**

Service Charge \$ 5.40

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### **ALLOWANCES**

Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$/kW	(0.60)
Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy	%	(1.00)

### SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

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Notification charge	\$	15.00
Account History	\$	15.00
Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Legal letter charge	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
Special meter reads	\$	30.00
Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)	\$	30.00
Non-Payment of Account		
Late Payment – per month	%	1.50
Late Payment – per annum	%	19.56
Collection of account charge – no disconnection - during regular business hours	\$	30.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – during regular hours	\$	65.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – after regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – during regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – after regular hours	\$	415.00
Install/Remove load control device – during regular hours	\$	65.00
Interval Meter Load Management Tool Charge \$/month	\$	50.00
Service call – customer owned equipment	\$	30.00
Service Call – Customer-owned Equipment – After Regular Hours	\$	165.00
Temporary Service - Install & remove - overhead - no transformer	\$	500.00
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles - \$/pole/year	\$	22.35

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## RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES (if applicable)

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Retail Service Charges refer to services provided by a distributor to retailers or customers related to the supply of competitive electricity

One-time charge, per retailer, to establish the service agreement between the distributor and the retailer	\$	100.00
Monthly Fixed Charge, per retailer	\$	20.00
Monthly Variable Charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.50
Distributor-consolidated billing monthly charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.30
Retailer-consolidated billing monthly credit, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	(0.30)
Service Transaction Requests (STR)		
Request fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.25
Processing fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.50
Request for customer information as outlined in Section 10.6.3 and Chapter 11 of the Retail		
Settlement Code directly to retailers and customers, if not delivered electronically through the		
Electronic Business Transaction (EBT) system, applied to the requesting party		
Up to twice a year	\$	no charge
More than twice a year, per request (plus incremental delivery costs)	\$	2.00

## **LOSS FACTORS**

If the distributor is not capable of prorating changed loss factors jointly with distribution rates, the revised loss factors will be implemented upon the first subsequent billing for each billing cycle.

Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW

1.0716

Distribution Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW

1.0609